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Hongkong, September 27, 1878. oc4

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SCENE 4TH—DARK CAVERNS.

## Act III.

SCENE 1ST—BAZAAR AND SLAVE MARKET.

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G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, October 2, 1878. oc5

## To-day's Advertisements.



HONGKONG, 27th September, 1878.

To C. F. A. SANGSTER, Esq., Sheriff of the Colony of Hongkong.

SIR,—We, the Undersigned, beg to request that you will call a Public Meeting to be held at the City Hall in the City of Victoria in this Colony, on Monday, the 7th day of October next, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the following purpose:

1.—To consider and discuss the existing state of insecurity of life and property in the Colony.

2.—To pass such resolutions as may be deemed advisable by the Meeting. We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

P. RYER,

and

63 other Signatures.

HONGKONG TO WIT.

[REDACTED]

HONGKONG TO WIT.

The dimasted vessel which the S.S. Ningpo reports having passed off Chapel Island arrived here to-day, and proves to be the German barque *Vesta*, from Newchwang, with a cargo of beans. She reports having experienced a very severe typhoon in lat. 32° 56' N., and long. 126° 45' E. The gale commenced on the 10th ult., from E.N.E., the barometer then standing at 29.69; and at noon of the following day it had fallen to 29.22, and continued to fall rapidly. At 1 a.m. of the 21st it had fallen over three-tenths, registering 28.90. The gale continued to increase rapidly and the glass to fall; the readings being 3 a.m., 28.85; 4.20 a.m., 28.52; 5.15 a.m., 28.48; and 7.30 a.m., 28.42; the latter being the lowest reading. The wind continued to blow steadily but fiercely from E.N.E. until past 7 o'clock, when it gradually drew round, by North to N.W. Meanwhile it had been found necessary to cut away the main topmast, which carried with it the head of the mizzen, the mizen topmast, and as a matter of course a large quantity of running gear and rigging. The wreckage carried with it part of the main bulwarks, and left the vessel a helpless wreck. It was then found necessary to jettison about 400 bushels of beans. At 9.30 a.m., the barometer began to rise steadily, and by noon registered 28.87, the gale meanwhile visibly decreasing, and the wind hauling more to the Westward. The gale had abated before night, and having made all as snug as possible, and rigged some temporary spars, she made the best of her way to Hongkong.

#### HENRY & CO.'S Weekly Shipping Report, Pagoda Anchorage, 25th Sept. 1878:—

Arrivals During the Week.—Sept. 21, Yesso, from Hongkong; 21, Otto, from Amoy; 21, Harmonie, from Amoy; 24, W. Siegfried, from Swatow; 25, Hastings, from Shanghai; 26, Europe, from Shangha; 26, Kwang Tung, from Hongkong.

Departures During the Week.—Sept. 21, Eustace, for Shanghai; 21, Christian, for Chefoo; 21, Growler, for Shanghai; 24, Imbat, for London; 24, Wylo, for London; 24, Yesso, for Hongkong; 26, Hiram Enery, for Cape Town; 26, Rosebud, for Melbourne.

Shipping in Port.—Lizzie, Kate Tatman, Wm. Turner, Fautasia, Swinger, Speke Hall, Hobo, Alert, Otto, Harmonie, W. Siegfried, Hastings, Europe, Kwang Tung.

Amoy.

Monday.

The only event of startling interest in this usually not over-quiet community is that we have had our gun stopped. On Saturday, when Mr Howard went up to the flagstaff to fire off the usual 12 o'clock signal, he found that some gentlemen with a turn for practical joking had stuck a nail in the touch-hole, and he consequently could not fire it off. We can only hope that Mr Howard will succeed in securing his touch-hole in future against gentlemen of Mohawkish tendencies who may be tempted o' nights to wander up towards the flagstaff.

The Hart is here, and we are looking for the Alert from Foochow. The Club dinners are languishing for want of a few new faces.

The Consular meetings seem to have come to an end. The various Consuls are beginning to find they can "paddle their own canoes" themselves a great deal better than when they were steered by one of their own number who has a mania for Ningpo form which is not suitable for those waters.

The Bell is still making a great deal of noise in the place.

We have had the Sylvester family here, and their performances have given great satisfaction. Miss Sylvester's appearance has made all the Bachelors wish they had a month at home again. The troupe leaves to-day by the Merionethshire for Singapore.

#### Police Intelligence.

(Before J. J. Francis, Esq.)

2nd October, 1878.

THE WING LOK STREET RAID.  
Aloli, a coolie, and Ip Afuk, a farmer, were charged on remand with being concerned, with others not in custody, in a belligerent attack on house No. 52 Wing Lok Street on the night of the 25th Sept. Defendants were arrested by Sergeant Pang Aoi and District Watchman No. 25. The one was discovered crouching down on the landing opposite the Harbour Master's office and the other in a doorway in Mercer Street at past 3 the same morning. The police had been unable to obtain any further evidence connecting the defendants with the attack, and Inspector Crockett therefore charged them with being out without a light or pass after 9 p.m. of the 24th and before sunrise of the 25th Sept. Defendants admitted this charge, and were sentenced to pay a fine of \$10 each and one month's hard labour for being out without a pass, and one month's further imprisonment for being out without a light.

ALLEGED ASSAULT.  
Thomas Henderson, a clerk unemployed, was charged with assaulting a chair-coolie. There appeared to be some doubt as to defendant's identity, and the case was accordingly adjourned until tomorrow at noon, defendant being admitted to bail.

(Before C. V. Creagh, Esq.)

DISORDINARY CONDUCT.  
Lo Aoi, a coolie, was charged by Mr Thomas Ashton Lilley, with behaving in a disordinary manner. Complaintant stated:

I am a theatrical performer living at the Oriental Hotel. I was coming on shore yesterday with a friend from the steamer *Boucet* at about 2.30 p.m. yesterday, in a sampan. I had a large box in the boat, and on approaching the wharf the defendant and a number of other coolies jumped into the boat and nearly capsized her. I was in great danger being under the awning of the boat, and I ordered the defendant and the others away, as I had my own coolies on the wharf waiting to take the baggage. The others left the boat when I told them, but defendant persisted in seizing my baggage, as I gave him into custody.

Defendant stated that he heard the call of coolies and ran to the place, but on seeing no coolies was wanted, sat down but did not go on board the boat.

Fined \$1 or 5 days' imprisonment.

#### ALLEGED GARBAGE ON BOARD SHIP.

Chooing Fu San, a painter residing at 32 Queen's Road Central, surrendered to his bail on a charge, on remand, of stealing a silver watch and a pair of gilded studs, the property of Captain Lamb, master of the Danish barque *Koror*. The defendant was discharged, His Worship remarking that he left the Court without a stain on his character.

#### A WOULD-BE SUICIDE.

Ip Aisung, the man who was charged on Monday with attempting to commit suicide by drowning, was again remanded until Friday. He states that he is a native of Shantung province.

#### TODAY'S FINES.

Cheung Aisan, a silversmith, no light or pass. Fined 25 cents.

Chia Atan and Wong Alai, rice-pounders, no light or pass. Fined 30 cents each.

Choung Achun and nine others, no light or pass. Fined 50 cents each.

Li Asan, the wife of Chan Aling, a carpenter, who has gone to Shanghai, throwing rubbish and nonsense matter into the public street in front of her house, No. 28 Market Street. Fined 50 cents.

Chan Ayan, widow, No. 67, East Street, a similar offence to the preceding case. Fined 50 cents.

Tong Ahi, a coolie; allowing a quantity of decayed vegetable matter to remain in his house. Fined \$2.

Lau Ahan, master of the "Han Ki" bean curd shop, 65 East Street—throwing rubbish in the street at the back of his house. Fined \$3.

Yan Tsung, master of the Taung Ki boat builder's shop, 83 Battery Road, making a timber yard of Battery Road. Fined \$5.

Fung Atak, master of the Hung Lung shop No. 11 Salt Fish Lan; drying salting and packing fish on the Praya. Fined \$10.

Chung Ahun, master of the Wo Sing rice shop 149 Wing Lok Street; Lam Lai Kam, master of the "Kwai Man" Hong 31 Praya West; and Ohan Anam, master of the Nam Sing shop 37 Praya West; using the public streets as warehouses. Fined, the first two \$15 each and ordered to enter in their own recognizance in \$25 to be of good behaviour for six months, and the last fined \$25.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL".

Amoy, 20th Sept., 1878.

SIR,—It is only within the past two days that my attention has been called by friends to an editorial which appeared in your issue of 9th instant, containing an attack of a libellous nature on myself in my public capacity of Consul, while at same time a malicious reference is made to an occurrence in my private life as a citizen, and this done while ostensibly purporting to comment fairly on the proceeding in the case of libel tried before me in the Portuguese Consular Court, at Amoy, in December last.

The author of this article was evidently more intent upon the gratification of a private malice, rather than upon a just review of the circumstances surrounding the case as one of public interest, will be sufficiently apparent to need no further argument, when it is pointed out, that while professing to quote ingeniously from my remarks, as given at the time of forwarding the case for decision to Macao, he has designedly cut them in two, omitting entirely the first portion thereof, and for the most relevant to the case, while carefully misappropriating the second half as referring solely to the publication of the incriminated advertisement, in place of giving my remarks their true and obvious application, made in its converse foul play, the course you took being to let slip the envenomed shaft by speaking daggers, where you dared not use them beyond what you considered to be safely within the limits of the law of libel. I hope however this letter will serve to defeat the end you aimed at, and that its perusal in public, may disconcert any further attempt of a like design on myself or others whom you may imagine you can attack with impunity.

Had your criticism in this case, been just and relevant, however adverse to the views I entertained as to its merits, I should have had nothing to complain of, but when you use your position as a public writer to imply gross malfeasance on my part in my public and Consular capacity, by the obvious and pointed implication contained in the article published by you, that I had designedly misrepresented the case to those who had to decide on its merits, it then becomes both a matter of public morality as well as duty to enquire whether you have not exceeded the limits of fair and honest criticism, and descended to a personal and malicious libel, and for which you may fairly be held responsible.

Asking you in justice to myself to give to this letter the same prominence in your columns as the editorial complained of, and begging you will forward me a copy of the issue in which it is published,

I am a theatrical performer living at the Oriental Hotel. I was coming on shore yesterday with a friend from the steamer *Boucet* at about 2.30 p.m. yesterday, in a sampan. I had a large box in the boat, and on approaching the wharf the defendant and a number of other coolies jumped into the boat and nearly capsized her. I was in great danger being under the awning of the boat, and I ordered the defendant and the others away, as I had my own coolies on the wharf waiting to take the baggage. The others left the boat when I told them, but defendant persisted in seizing my baggage, as I gave him into custody.

real author of this malicious advertisement by the infliction of such a substantial fine on the Publisher, as shall mark its detection of such cowardly and ungentlemanly conduct (but should us be quite possible in the opinion of the Court) this anonymous writer and briber meanly break faith with Mr Marcal by subsequently refusing to pay the fine, should such be imposed, it is to be hoped this Credulous Publisher will in his own defence divulge the name and nationality of the author of this defamatory advertisement, when he can be dealt with by his Consul, and thereafter held up to the Public contempt, such mean mischievous, cowardly and corrupt conduct merits."

But apart from the merits of this case, it is nevertheless a fact of great importance to the public, to establish, that Press criticism on the acts or words of men in official positions, shall be fair and honest in its aim at correction and reproof, made with all desire to elicit truth, to correct mistakes in value, although the tendency towards the close is slightly in favor of buyers. Low ordinary common kinds are in smaller supply, but comparatively heavy arrivals are looked for. Souchong:—A fair amount of business has taken place, at about last week's rates.

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We are glad to observe that the fine old English game of cricket has been revived in our midst. The ground kindly lent by Mr John Forster is freely availed of by the Club members, and already there are evidences of "good form" in both batting and fielding. A match is spoken of for an early date next month.

A correspondent sends us the following:

"Under these circumstances, and with the evidence of Mr. Marcal before it, I hope the Honourable Court at Macao, will forgive the

"grandmother" left me to the tender mercies of a substitute, who was gifted with a most fertile imagination. This simple-minded brat supplied me for several days with bread of an unmistakably dark colour and very inferior quality. I demanded an explanation. The brat was not perplexed. He answered mildly, and with unchanged countenance, that the unusual colour of the bread was attributable to the fact that the bread was baked at night and that latterly the nights had been very dark! Our correspondent adds,—"the man's vacant expression and perfect assumption of injured innocence completely disarmed me. I was fairly conquered by that unprincipled Asiatic, and forced to the conclusion that the true art of lying—though everywhere practised—is better understood in China, than elsewhere. We parted; he was too simple."

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The damaged vessel which the S. S. Ningpo reports having passed off Chapel Island arrived here to-day, and proved to be the German barque *Vesta*, from Newchwang, with a cargo of beans. She reports having experienced a very severe typhoon in lat. 32° 55' N., and long. 125° 45' E. The gale commenced on the 19th ulto., from E.N.E., the barometer then standing at 29.69, and at noon of the following day it had fallen to 29.22, and continued to fall rapidly. At 1 a.m. of the 21st it had fallen over three-tenths, registering 28.90. The gale continued to increase rapidly and the glass to fall; the readings being 3 a.m., 28.85; 4.20 a.m., 28.52; 5.15 a.m., 28.48; and 7.30 a.m., 28.42; the latter being the lowest reading. The wind continued to blow steadily but fiercely from E.N.E., until past 7 o'clock, when it gradually drew round by North to N.W. Meanwhile it had been found necessary to cut away the main topmast, which carried with it the head of the mainmast, the mizzen-topmast, and as a matter of course a large quantity of running gear and rigging. The wreckage carried with it part of the main bulwarks, and left the vessel a helpless wreck. It was then found necessary to jettison about 400 pounds of beans. At 9.30 a.m., the barometer began to rise steadily, and by noon registered 28.87, the gale meanwhile visibly decreasing, and the wind hauling more to the Westward. The gale had abated before night, and having made all as snug as possible, and rigged some temporary spars, she made the best of her way to Hongkong.

#### HEDON & CO.'S WEEKLY SHIPPING REPORT, PAGODA ANCHORAGE, 28TH SEPT. 1878:

ARRIVALS DURING THE WEEK.—Sept. 21, Yesso, from Hongkong; 21, Otto, from Amoy; 21, Harmonie, from Amoy; 24, W. Siegfried, from Swatow; 25, Hasting, from Shanghai; 26, Europe, from Shanghai; 26, Kwang Tung, from Hongkong.

DEPARTURES DURING THE WEEK.—Sept. 21, Hasting, for Shanghai; 21, Christian, for Chinkoo; 21, Growler, for Shanghai; 24, Imbar, for London; 24, Wylo, for London; 24, Yesso, for Hongkong; 26, Hirai Maru, for Cape Town; 26, Rosebud, for Melbourne.

SIPPING IN PORT.—Lizzie, Kate Tathan, Wm. Turner, Fanteria, Swinger, Speke Hall, Hobo, Alert, Otto, Harmonie, W. Siegfried, Hasting, Europe, Kwang Tung.

#### AMOY.

MONDAY.

The only event of startling interest in this usually not over-quiet community is that we have had our Gun stopped. On Saturday, when Mr Howard went up to the flagstaff to fire off the usual 12 o'clock signal, he found that some gentlemen with a turn for practical joking had stuck a nail in the touch-hole, and he consequently could not fire it off. We can only hope that Mr Howard will succeed in securing his touch-hole in future against gentlemen of Mohawkish tendencies who may be tempted o' nights to wander up towards the flagstaff.

The Hart is here, and we are looking for the *Alert* from Foochow. The Club dinners are languishing for want of a few new faces.

The Consular meetings seem to have come to an end. The various Consuls are beginning to find they can "paddle their own canoes" themselves a great deal better than when they were steered by one of their own number who has a mania for Ningpo form which is not suitable for those waters.

The Bell is still making a great deal of noise in the place.

We have had the Sylvester family here, and their performances have given great satisfaction. Miss Sylvester's appearance has made all the Bachelors wish they had a month at home again. The troupe leave to-day by the Merionethshire for Singapore.

#### POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

(Before J. J. Francis, Esq.)

2nd October, 1878.

**THE WING LOK STREET RAID.**  
U Alo, a coolie, and Ip Afuk, a farmer, were charged on remand with being concerned, with others not in custody, in a belligerent attack on house No. 52 Wing Lok Street on the night of the 26th Sept. Defendants were arrested by Sergeant Pang Alo and District Watchman No. 25. The one was discovered crouching down on the landing opposite the Harbour Master's office, and the other in a door-way in Meevee Street at 3 past 3 the same morning. The police had been unable to obtain any further evidence connecting the defendants with the attack, and Inspector Crook therefore charged them with being out without a light or pass after 9 p.m. of the 24th and before gunfire of the 26th Sept. Defendants admitted this charge, and were sentenced to pay a fine of \$10 each and one month's hard labour for being out without a pass, and one month's further imprisonment for being out without a light.

#### ALLEGED ASSAULT.

Thomas Henderson, a clerical unemployed, was charged with assaulting a chair-coolie. There appeared to be some doubts as to defendant's identity, and the case was accordingly adjourned until tomorrow at noon, defendant being admitted to bail.

(Before C. V. Creagh, Esq.)

DISORDERLY CONDUCT.

Lo A-i, a coolie, was charged by Mr Thomas Sutton Miller, with behaving in a disorderly manner. Complaints stated—

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Defendant stated that he heard the call of a coolie and ran to the place, but on seeing no coolie was wanted, sat down but did not go on board the boat.

Fined \$1 or 5 days' imprisonment.

#### ALLEGED GARBAGE ON BOARD SHIP.

Cheong Fu San, a painter residing at 32 Queen's Road Central, surrendered to his bail on charge, on remand, of stealing a silver watch and a pair of gilded studs, the property of Captain Laub, master of the Danish barque *Korsor*. The defendant was discharged, His Worship remarking that he left the Court without a stain on his character.

#### A WOULD-BE SUICIDE.

Ip Alseung, the man who was charged on Monday with attempting to commit suicide by drowning, was again remanded until Friday. He stated that he is a native of Shantung province.

#### TO-DAY'S FINES.

Cheung A-tung, a swashbuckler, no light or pass. Fined 25 cents.

Chin Atan and Wong A-lai, rice-pounders, no light or pass. Fined 30 cents each.

Cheung Achui and nine others, no light or pass. Fined 50 cents each.

Li Asam, the wife of Chan Alling, carpenter, who has gone to Shanghai, throwing rubbish and nonsense matter into the public street in front of her house, No. 23, Market Street. Fined 50 cents.

Chan Ayan, widow, No. 67, East Street, a similar offence to the preceding case. Fined 50 cents.

Tong Achi, a coolie, allowing a quantity of decayed vegetable matter to remain in his house. Fined \$2.

Lau Ahan, master of the "Han Ki" bean curd shop, 65 East Street—throwing rubbish in the street at the back of his house. Fined \$3.

Yan Tsung, master of the Taung Ki boat-builder's shop, 83 Battery Road, making a timber yard of Battery Road. Fined \$5.

Fung Atak, master of the Hung Lung shop No. 11 Salt Fish Lan; drying salting and packing fish on the Praya. Fined \$10.

Ching Ahun, master of the Wu Sing rice shop 149 Wing Lok Street; Lau Lai Kam, six months anterior to the occurrence of Mr. Anderson's affair and to which allusion is maliciously and wantonly made.

There are other aspects more serious however under which the libel conveyed in the article of criticism contained in the article may be contemplated, and not the least of these is as it relates to carelessness or design in exercising its power to misrepresent and thus give pain, by conveying an unjust imputation at the person aimed at, and in this case, I think, the inference of design, may fairly be inferred as the intention of the writer, his object being evidently to draw public attention to what he maliciously supposed would bring down public obloquy on the person referred to.

You are not personally known to me, and whether you are, or are not the author of this article, I am nevertheless at a loss to surmise your motive in permitting this public attack upon my official words or deeds to be couched with an offensive allusion to an affair in private life, and which had no connection whatever in either time or place with the subject under review. This article implies that certain facts are not as they were represented by me, and that therefore wrong was designedly done in my representation of the case of Warnecke & Marcal, and at same time the writer endeavours to draw extraneous attention to a case of assault, having nothing whatever to do with the words or events he is passing under review, and I think the general public will look upon such cowardly proceedings in a public print as ill adapted to recommend with effect or propriety the cause you pretend to advocate, namely love of fair play, while you are maliciously in fact practising its converse foul play, the course you took being to let slip the envenomed shaft, by speaking daggers, where you dared not use them beyond what you considered to be safely within the limits of the law of libel. I hope however this letter will serve to defeat the end you aimed at, and that its perusal in public may discomfit any further attempt of a like design on myself or others whom you may imagine you can attack with impunity.

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The weather outside has been very boisterous during the greater part of the week, but in the Settlement the air has been oppressive and the temperature very high for the season. We have not heard of any casualties to shipping.

We are glad to observe that the fine old English game of cricket has been revived in our midst. The ground kindly lent by Mr John Foster is freely availed of by the Club members, and already there are evidences of "good form" in both batting and fielding. A match is spoken of for an early date next month.

A correspondent sends us the following message:—"My regular attendant having fallen sick, or being unable to visit his

ranks had duly popped out, poked the air, shrieked and turned head over heels, the drone of the humble bee was once more heard, and fresh wonders burst upon our gaze. A company was separated from the ranks, and drawn up in an open square in front of the Viceroy's pavilion. The intense interest prevailed. The people crowded round, approaching as near as the soldiers on guard would permit. Here was something exceptionally fine; something got up for the special delectation of the Viceroy. The drums were beat. The trumpets blared. At last the performance began. A person suddenly danced gravely but energetically forward, throwing out of his right leg with a graceful jerk; then, bounding backwards he again danced forward, this time throwing out his left. Then he danced promiscuously; ye gods, how he did dance! Donato would have died with envy. He jumped; he waltzed; he capered; he pranced; he turned head over heels, rolled himself well in the dust (which rose in clouds); stood on the back of his neck while he flourished his legs in the air, recovered himself, grasped wildly with his arms at nothing in particular, made a grotesque curtsey to the Viceroy, and retired upon his laurels. Then another gentleman came forward, and went through similar exertions; then two appeared, and pretended to fight a duel, though like Mr Mantalini, they took good care to be well out of each other's reach; then another couple, and so on, till the arena was occupied by about a dozen men, running and dancing and hopping and howling, for all the world like so many drunkards. The Viceroy sat behind his table of green and red, surrounded by all the mandarins of Nanking, sipping his tea and gravely looking on at the preposterous scene before him; while the Fan-tai and Tao-tai and all the most complete complacency, as though they would say in accents of the truest admiration "Augh-augh; ai-ya; *hao-pu-ien!*" And a fitter phrase could not be employed; *hao-pu-ien* most certainly it was. A grosser farce it would be impossible to conceive. It differed in nothing from the "fighting pig" familiar to foreigners who look in occasionally at a Chinese theatre. The mise-en-scene, with the forest of waving scarlet, the gay dresses of the troops, and the pretty natural surroundings, might be tolerated at the Canterbury Hall; but the performance, considered in the light of a burlesque, would be hissed off the stage at a penny gaff. Such, however, is a grand review held in the presence of one of the highest officers in the Empire, and rehearsed for weeks before; such is the result of four thousand years of proud and exclusive civilisation; such, in fine, is Chinese warfare in the year of grace one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

By this time the sun was pretty hot, and we were glad to accept the courteous invitation of some officers to enter their tent and throw ourselves upon the comfortable red cushions therein placed. The Viceroy's pavilion, which we afterwards visited, was rather a dowdy affair, but commanded a splendid view of the spacious drilling-ground. With the recess for tea, however, our personal experiences concluded. Two mandarins, professing, like the town-clerk of Ephesus, to be afraid of an uproar among the people, had no sooner heard that the foreigner had gone to the review, than they sent off a couple of myrmidons to implore us, for the sake of peace and quietness, to return. They could not answer, they said, for the results, if the populace, under the exciting influences of the spectators, were to become obtrusives at the presence of a foreign visitor. Having, therefore, satiated our love of the extraordinary by gazing on the scenes above described, we withdrew to the friendly shelter of the God of War; but on reaching home we were amazed to find our anxious friends from the two yamens awaiting our return, and professing their intention to stick close by us for the future! We hinted, however, as delicately as possible, that their protection was superfluous, and that we preferred being left alone. "But," urged our would-be benefactors, "the children about here are so impudent!" Upon this we assured them that we were on excellent terms with all the babies in the neighbourhood, and would much prefer being exposed to their malignity to having a couple of yamen runners for ever dangling at our heels. They then hung about for an hour or so, and at last walked off in dudgeon.

SHANGHAI COURIER.

SHANGHAI, Oct. 2, 1878.

OPIUM.—New Patna, cash... \$602;



Mails.

## Notices of Firms.

## NOTICE.

MR HENRI VINAY has been Appointed  
M<sup>ed</sup> AGENT for the COMPTOIR  
D'ESCOMPT DE PARIS at Hongkong.  
Mr ERNEST SCHIEVELIN will have  
power to act at the same place in Mr  
VINAY'S absence.

E. G. VOUILLEMONTE,  
Manager,  
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Shanghai, September 6, 1878.

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SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE  
GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA,  
BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDI-  
TERNEAN PORTS, SOUTH-  
AMPTON, AND LONDON, VIA  
BOMBAY,

ALSO  
BOMBAY, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship  
"HINDOSTAN," Captain N. W. HAN-  
WOOD, will leave this on THURSDAY, the  
10th October, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to  
A. LIND, Superintendent.  
Hongkong, September 23, 1878. oc10

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA  
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING  
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer CITY OF  
TOKIO will be despatched for San  
Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUESDAY,  
the 15th October, at Noon, taking  
Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the  
United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-  
portation to Yokohama and other Japan  
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and  
Inland Cities of the United States via Over-  
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and  
Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central  
and South America by the Company's and  
connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to  
England, France, and Germany by all  
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

On Through PASSAGES to EUROPE,  
a REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER  
CENT from Regular Rates is granted to  
OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY,  
and MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL AND  
CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMIS-  
SION.

Freight will be received on board until  
4 p.m., of 14th October. Parcels Packages  
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.  
same day; all Parcel Packages should be  
marked to address in full; value of same  
is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland  
Cargo should be sent to the Company's  
Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the  
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage  
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, September 20, 1878. oc15

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR  
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,  
POINT DE GALLE,  
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT  
SAID, NAPLES, AND  
MARSEILLES;

ALSO,  
PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CAL-  
CUTTA AND BOMBAY.

ON THURSDAY, the 17th October,  
1878, at Noon, the Company's  
S. S. TIGRE, Commander LORMIER,  
with MAILED, PASSENGERS, SPREUKE,  
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the  
above places.

Cargo and Spede will be registered for  
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-  
cepted in transit through Marseilles for  
the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until  
Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until  
4 p.m., Spede and Parcels until 3 p.m.  
on the 16th October, 1878. (Parcels are  
not to be sent on board; they must be left  
at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-  
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the  
Company's Office.

H. DU POUEY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, October 1, 1878. oc17

Volume Seventh of the  
"CHINA REVIEW."

Now Ready.

No. 1—VOL. VII.

—OF THE—

CHINA REVIEW  
CONTAINS—

The Chinese in Borneo.

Writing from the Book of Rites.

The Character 𠂇 or 𠂇.

On the Use of the Character Fan.

Brief Sketches from the Life of K'ung-  
ming.

The Critical Disquisitions of Wang Ch'ung.

Geographical Notes on the Province of  
Klangal.

The Ballads of the Shih-king.

Translations of Chinese School-books.

Perkin Warbeck in China.

Short Notices of New Books and Literary  
Intelligence.

Notes and Queries.—

Dutch Doctors in Borneo.

The Graffe and the Ki-lin.

On the Syllable Spelling.

Locut Openend in Flogging.

Early Frost in Canton, in 1877.

A Chinese Coin.

Annamese Sovereigns.

Chinese Bank-notes.

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office.

Bengaloo, Sept. 10, 1878.

## Notices of Firms.

## NOTICE.

MR HENRI VINAY has been Appointed  
M<sup>ed</sup> AGENT for the COMPTOIR  
D'ESCOMPT DE PARIS at Hongkong.  
Mr ERNEST SCHIEVELIN will have  
power to act at the same place in Mr  
VINAY'S absence.

E. G. VOUILLEMONTE,  
Manager,  
COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPT DE PARIS,

SHANGHAI

Shanghai, September 6, 1878.

WITH Reference to the above, I have  
This Day OPENED the AGENCY  
of the COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPT DE  
PARIS, at the Office of Messrs RUSSELL  
& Co.

H. VINAY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, September 12, 1878. oc12

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr  
ARTHUR CHART in our Firm  
CEASED on the 31st December last.

J. INGLIS & Co.

Hongkong, June 13, 1878. oc13

## NOTICE.

MR NG MEL KUM otherwise called  
NG HOK MUN is admitted a  
Partner in our Firm from the 2nd  
February, 1878.

TACK MEE, HOP KEE HONG,  
No. 9 & 11, Bonham Strand West.

Hongkong, September 30, 1878.

## NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of  
the late Mr NG SIN FOO otherwise  
called NG HOK SEE in our Firm CEASED  
from the 2nd February, 1878.

TACK MEE, HOP KEE HONG,  
No. 9 & 11, Bonham Strand West.

Hongkong, September 30, 1878. oc30

## NOTICE.

HE Undersigned, HOP YEK & Co.,  
of HOWARD'S Godowns, No. 239,  
Shek Tong Tsui, begs to notify that the  
said Company is not now to be Responsible  
for any Debts contracted by any of the  
Firm's employees or Partners. Also, no  
Debt, if any, can be deducted from the  
Rent Payable to the said Company. The  
Company is only Responsible for those  
Accounts, which are Confirmed and Signed  
by Mr CHU WING On himself, of the King  
Yin shop, Wing Lok Street.

HOP YEK & Co.

Hongkong, September 18, 1878. oc18

## NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having This Day PUR-  
CHASED the STOCK-IN-TRADE, Book  
Debts, and Goodwill of the CHINA DIS-  
PENSARY hitherto Carried on by Mr W.  
BALL, will conduct and carry on the said  
Business (in connection with the VICTORIA  
DISPENSARY) on his own Account from  
This Date.

WM. ORUICKSHANK.

Hongkong, August 31, 1878.

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the  
Undersigned in the Chinese Mail,  
華字日報 (Wah Tsa Yat Po),  
CEASED on the 1st August, 1877, but  
Debts prior to that Date will be received  
and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

## NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Under-  
signed has LEASED the Chinese Mail  
from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged  
the services of Mr LEONG YOOK CHUN,  
as Translator and General Manager of the  
newspaper, which under its new régime  
will be found to be, as hitherto, an ex-  
cellent medium for advertising, especially  
as the Manager is able to devote his whole  
attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM,  
Leases of the Hongkong Chinese Mail.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

## INSURANCES.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above  
Company, are prepared to grant In-  
surance at current rates.

MEOCHERS & Co.

Agents, Royal Insurance Company,

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

## INSURANCES.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSUR-  
ANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed  
AGENTS in Hongkong for the above-named  
Company, are prepared to Grant  
POLICIES against FIRE on Buildings and  
on Goods to the extent of \$50,000, at the  
usual Rates, subject to an immediate  
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

Attention is invited to a considerable  
reduction in Premium for Life Insurance in  
China.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 18, 1878.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant  
POLICIES against FIRE to the extent of

\$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored  
therein, at current local rates, subject to a  
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1878.

## Insurances.

THE CHINA FIRE INSUR-  
ANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

## HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

A GENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of  
China and Japan and at Singapore,  
Sarawak and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance  
granted at the rates of Premium current at  
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

NO. 1 BRITISH & MERCANTILE  
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and  
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong  
for the above Company, are prepared to grant  
Policies against FIRE to the extent of  
£10,000 on any Building, or  
on Merchandise in the same, at the  
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20  
percent.

GILMAN & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

LANCASHIRE INSUR-  
ANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant  
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on  
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, or  
on Goods on board Vessels and on Bulks of  
Vessel in Harbour, at the usual Terms  
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-  
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors  
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on  
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single  
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-  
posals or any other information, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,  
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE  
SOCIETY OF THE  
UNITED STATES.

HENRY B. HYDE, President.  
J. W